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Re: RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF  
MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C.  
371 IN THE UNITED STATES  
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For: "IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, AND  
COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM  
IN WHICH IMAGE PROCESSING PROGRAM  
IS RECORDED"

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Attn: U.S. National Stage Processing  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) dated 05/23/2006 (copy enclosed), please find enclosed the following:

1. Declaration/Power signed by the inventors identifying the application by PCT international application number, PCT international filing date, U.S. serial number, and U.S. filing date.
2. Check for \$130.00 to cover the large-entity surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date.

AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Account No. 08-2025.

[X] 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees and presentation of extra claims)

[X] 37 CFR 1.17 (application processing fees)

[ ] 37 CFR 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.311(b)).

Respectfully submitted,



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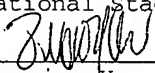
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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/24/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/24/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 01/24/2006
- Copy of Annexes to the IPE filed on 01/24/2006
- Copy of Article 19 Amendments filed on 01/24/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/24/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 01/24/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 01/24/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/24/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 01/24/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

## SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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